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EO 11652: GDS TAGS: PFOR CSCE

SUBJ: CSCE: CONSULTATION WITH NEUTRAL/ON-ALIGNED STATES

REF: STATE 38923; BERN 558

1. EMBOFF DREW ON STATE 38923 IN CONVERSATION FEB 28 WITH ANTON HEGNER OF FED POL DEPT (FONOFF) WHO WILL PROBABLY HEAD SWISS DELEGATION AT BELGRADE IN JUNE. FOLLOWING ARE MAIN POINTS COVERED:

A) SWISS FULLY SHARE OUR CONCERN WITH HUMAN RIGHTS, AND ARE MOST INTERESTED IN USG SPOKESMEN'S TATEMENTS. GOS WILL VERY PROBABLY NOT, HOWEVER, MAKE SIMILAR PUBLIC STATEMENTS. IN THIS CONNECTION HEGNER SAID SWISS ARE STILL INCLINED TO BELIVE THAT THERE IS CONSIDERABLE DIFFERENCE IN DEGREE OF ACTUAL REPRESSION OF DISSIDENTS IN VARIOUS EASTERN BLOC COUNTRIES. HE NOTED FOR EXAMPLE CONFIDENTIAL

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THAT ALTHOUGH ROMANIAN PRESIDENT'S RECENT STATEMENT ON THE SUBJECT WAS UNCOMPROMISING, IN FACT THERE HAS NOT BEEN ANY NOTICEABLE INCREASE IN REPRESSION IN ROMANIA.

B) SWISS DO NOT NOW, ON BASIS THEIR CONTACTS
WITH OTHER WARSAW PACT REPS, EXPECT SOVIETS TO BRING
UP BUCHAREST DRAFT TREATY ON NON-FIRST USE OF NUCLEAR

WEAPONS. SHOULD THE SOVIETS ATTEMPT TO DO SO, SWISS DELEGATION WOULD OPPOSE.

C) WITH REGARD TO BREZHNEV PROPOSALS FOR PAN-EUROPEAN CONFERENCES ON ENERGY, TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT, SWISS ARE "TOTALLY OPPOSED" TO CONFERENCE ON ENERGY, "MIGHT BE PERSUADED" THAT SOME SPECIALIZED ASPECTS OF TRANSPORT COULD BE DISCUSSED PROFITABLY IN EUROPEAN CONFERENCE, AND BELIEVE THAT ENVIRONMENT DEFINITELY DESERVES A CONFERENCE.

D) SWISS "EARNESTLY HOPE" BELGRADE MEETING WILL FOLLOW FINAL ACT AGENDA CLOSELY, WITH FEW IF ANY NEW PROPOSALS. THEY BELIEVE BEST WAY TO INSURE THIS IS TO KEEP DELEGATIONS SMALL AND RELATIVELY LOW LEVEL. HEGNER, WHO HAS RANK OF AMBASSADOR IN SWISS F.S., SAYS HE WILL HAVE NO INDEPENDENT POWER OF DECISION, AND THINKS THIS WOULD BE APPROPRIATE STATUS OF OTHER DELEGATION HEADS. DAVIS

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